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IRON CORE OF ROTATING-ELECTRIC MACHINE AND MANUFACTURING

METHOD FOR THE SAME

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003, Applicant submits the following Remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 2-6 and 15 are all the claims pending in the application. Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 3-6 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Although the Examiner previously indicated that claims 2 and 15 were allowed, these claims are presently rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Japanese Patent JP 48-9201, hereinafter referred to as JP'201. Claims 2 and 15 are also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as